





Stop that water drop

and give your scraps a second chance...



The Winnebago County Soil and Water Conservation District is currently selling rain barrels, composters and other products.

Rain Barrels



These barrels are Food Quality High Density Poly Ethylene Barrels that were previously used to ship pickled food overseas. All barrels have a garden hose size spigot at the bottom, an overflow fitting to allow the excess water that flows from the downspout to be diverted away from the barrel, and a linking hose fitting so two or more barrels can be joined together.

The barrels come fitted with a screw-on mesh lid to keep out debris and mosquitoes. The SWCD is also selling additional accessories that will make for easy installation. Rain barrels are an excellent way to help the environment in urban areas because they reduce stormwater runoff which can carry pollutants and sediment directly to creeks and rivers. The barrels also save you money and precious groundwater supplies. The free stored rain water that is naturally soft and free of chlorine is great for use in gardens, houseplants, lawns and trees.











Linking Hose: used for attaching multiple barrels together.



Flex Elbow: for attaching from downspout to discharge into barrel opening.



Automatic Diverter: directs water back into downspout when barrel is full.



Rain Barrel Pedestal: raises rain barrel off of the ground.

Bird Houses

This Birdhouse is for House Wren, Black-Capped Chickadee, Carolina Chickadee, White Breasted Nuthatch, Prothonotary Warbler, Prairie Deer Mouse and White-Footed Mouse. Made from reclaimed lumber from wooden fence of Western



Red Cedar and White Cedar. With a hinged roof for easy "spring cleaning. It's dimensions are 9" H x 9" L x 9" W.

Need help identifying that bird?!

We can help with that with our Birds of Illinois Book for only \$13.00. This 288 page book features 111 bird species common to the state. Other field guides are available for purchase.

Tumbling Composters





Eliminate back strain with this hip level 55 gallon composter. If you prefer to

work at waist level, this elevated composter is perfect. It is made with recycled components; including a pre-used black barrel and 100% recycled lumber painted with water based exterior latex paint. It is about 4 foot tall and only requires a 3 foot by 4 foot area.

- holds 7.3 cubic feet (~55 gallons) of material
- low maintenance, nothing to clog up
- assembled dimensions: 36" wide x 36" deep x 46" tall
- Pest proof, fully enclosed, off-the-ground compost bin
- Avoids odor problems by controlling moisture and aeration in excessively dry or rainy areas
- Provides insulation to aid heating of compost
- Compost tumbler can be moved around the yard
- Weight: 75 lbs
- Easy mixing and turning of the compost materials

Price Menu

55-Gal Tumbling Composter	\$120
Rain Barrel (black, blue, terra cotta, grey)	\$7 <i>0</i>
Automatic Diverter	\$2 <i>5</i>
Pedestal	\$2 <i>5</i>
Linking Hose	\$10
Flex Elbow	\$ <i>5</i>
3irdhouse	\$14

To purchase items, contact the SWCD office Monday through Friday 8am–4:30pm. Rain barrels and composters will fit in the back seat of most vehicles, rather than the trunk. If you purchase more than one barrel/composter, we will discount the price per item by \$5.00.

Deadline to order: June 15, 2012 • Pick-up: June 21, 2012 1pm-4pm
Order Forms are available at the SWCD website or at the office.

The Winnebago County Soil and Water Conservation District is a locally operated unit of government functioning under Illinois law. Our mission is to promote the protection, restoration, and wise use of the soil, water, and related resources within the district. We provide technical and educational resources in the areas of soils and land use, water quality, soil erosion in both urban and agricultural land uses, conservation program needs, wildlife habitat, and native ecosystem restoration and management.

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